

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

1. (Currently Amended) A currency control system comprising:
a portable safe for holding currency;
~~a game-related device having a currency holding section for holding currency; a to~~
~~which said portable safe is removably attachable to, said game-related device, and~~
~~functioning as said currency holding section~~ portable safe functioning as a currency
holding section of said game-related device when said portable safe is attached to said
game-related device; and
a currency control device to which said portable safe is removably attachable, and
which is separate from said game-related device, and, when said portable safe is attached
to said currency control device, said currency control device providing for provides at
least one of (i) ~~holding~~ loading currency in into said portable safe and (ii) retrieving
currency held in said portable safe from said portable safe.
2. (Currently Amended) The currency control system according to claim 1,
wherein said currency holding section provides for at least one of (i) holding currency
inserted from outside ~~the~~ said game-related device and (ii) holding currency to be
discharged ~~outside the~~ from said game-related device.
3. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 1,
comprising a system control computer providing unitary control of quantities of currency
in said game-related device, said portable safe, and said currency control device.
4. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 1,
comprising an anomaly detection device for detecting an anomaly occurring in said
portable safe.
5. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 4,
wherein said anomaly detection device detects an anomaly when said portable safe is not
attached to one of said game-related device and said currency control device.
6. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 4,
wherein said anomaly detection device is located on said portable safe.

7. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 4, comprising an anomaly notifying section for issuing an anomaly notification when said anomaly detection device detects an anomaly.

8. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly detection device detects a destructive anomaly for said portable safe.

9. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly detection device detects an anomaly when said portable safe is neither attached to said game-related device nor to said currency control device for too long a time.

10. (Currently Amended) The currency control system according to claim 4, wherein said anomaly detection device includes a positional anomaly detection device detecting an anomaly based on ~~position~~ location of said portable safe.

11. (Currently Amended) The currency control system according to claim 10, wherein said positional anomaly detection device is located at a ~~position~~ location separate from said portable safe.

12. (Previously Presented) The currency control system according to claim 3, wherein attaching said portable safe to and removing said portable safe from said game-related device or said currency control device requires an operator's card of an authorized operator to be inserted into said game-related device or said currency control device.

13. (Currently Amended) The currency control system according to claim 12, wherein ~~said the~~ operator's card has an operator's code recorded thereon, said system control computer has the operator's code registered in advance and corresponding to the operator, and agreement of the operator's code recorded on ~~said the~~ operator's card with the operator's code registered in said system control computer is at least one condition for determining authority of an authorized operator.

14. (Currently Amended) The currency control system according to claim 13, wherein the operator's code recorded on ~~said the~~ operator's card includes an operator's

peculiar code peculiar to the operator and a random number generated and affixed to the peculiar code when a specified event occurs.

15. (Currently Amended) The currency control system according to claim 1, wherein said portable safe exchanges information ~~in~~ by wireless communication with said game-related device to which said portable safe is attached or with said currency control device to which said portable safe is attached.

16. (Currently Amended) A portable safe removably attachable to a game-related device used by players and removably attachable to a currency control device, which is separate from the game-related device, for dispensing and retrieving currency, said portable safe comprising:

a housing for holding currency; and

an antenna located on said housing for exchanging information ~~in~~ by wireless communication with ~~said the~~ game-related device and ~~said the~~ currency control device, wherein

said housing includes a currency insertion window section, a currency discharging window section, a first shutter plate closing said currency insertion window section, a second shutter plate closing said currency discharging window section, a lock mechanism for locking said first and second shutter plates, and an unlocking mechanism for unlocking said lock mechanism upon detecting attachment of said portable safe to ~~said the~~ game-related device or ~~said to the~~ currency control device and

said portable safe functions as a currency holding section of ~~said the~~ game-related device when attached to ~~said the~~ game-related device and as a currency holding section of ~~said the~~ currency control device when attached to ~~said the~~ currency control device.

17 (Previously Presented) The portable safe according to claim 16, including an anomaly detection device for detecting an anomaly occurring in said portable safe.

18 (Currently Amended) The portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device detects an anomaly when said portable safe is neither attached to ~~said the~~ game-related device nor to ~~said the~~ currency control device.

19 (Previously Presented) The portable safe according to claim 17, comprising an anomaly notifying section for issuing an anomaly notification when said anomaly detection device detects an anomaly.

20 (Previously Presented) The portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device detects a destructive anomaly for said portable safe.

21 (Currently Amended) The portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device detects an anomaly when said portable safe is neither attached to ~~said~~ the game-related device nor ~~said~~ to the currency control device for too long a time.

22 (Currently Amended) The portable safe according to claim 17, wherein said anomaly detection device includes a positional anomaly detection device detecting an anomaly based on ~~position~~ location of said portable safe.